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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Wong et al.

EXAMINER: A. Decloux

U.S.S.N.: 08/776,084

GROUP: 1745

FILED: January 17, 1997

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO MAINTAIN CO-PENDENCY OF PARENT CASE  
WHEN FILING CONTINUATION APPLICATION  
37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on December 7, 2000. The bona fide attempt by Applicants to respond and to advance this application to final action comprises a concurrently filed Continuation Application.

This is a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time to extend the period of reply for a total period of five (5) months to July 7, 2001. A copy of the within petition is being filed along with the papers constituting the concurrently filed Continuation Application.

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Applicants also conditionally petition for a further extension time to provide for the possibility that such a petition is required. As indicated below, please charge Deposit Account No. **04-1105** for the required fee.

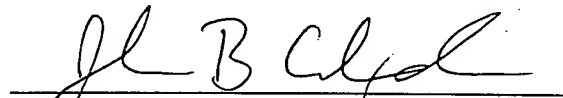
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Respectfully submitted,

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